

WRIGHTINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

At the Meeting of the Council of the Parish of Wrightington held on Monday 18th February 2019 at Appley Bridge Village Hall at 7.30pm the following were present:

Councillors: Mr Hodgkinson (Chairman), Mrs Burton, Mr Johnson, Mrs Jukes, Mrs Critchley and Mr House.

OPEN FORUM

(At this point in the Meeting members of the public present can report, ask questions, raise issues and make observations on parish matters or items appearing on the Agenda. Reports will also be received from the Police, District and County Councillors if attending – Once open forum is closed the Chairman will only suspend standing orders to allow public participation in extreme circumstances.)

Nothing to report.

111. **APOLOGIES** – No apologies required.

112. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – Members were asked to consider any personal/prejudicial interest they may have to disclose in relation to matters under discussion at the Meeting – **No declarations were made at this point in the Meeting, however, should a Councillor feel he/she has any interest in later matters he/she will declare it at that point.**

113. **MINUTES** – The Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 21st January 2019 had been circulated in advance of the Meeting and were accepted as a correct record, and signed by the Chairman.

114. **UPDATE/PROGRESS WITH ISSUES RAISED AT THE PREVIOUS MEETING** – **Noted.**

115. **CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATION ITEMS**

Items reported to, and noted by, the Council – no decision required: REPORT 1 – page 3 – Accepted.
Item h) – Councillor Jukes thinks it is a good idea to have cross border communication with Shevington.

Items requiring discussion, observations or action by the Council:

- a) Letter of resignation from Parish Councillor Jim Clinch – **The Clerk read aloud this letter and Parish Councillors were disappointed to lose Councillor Clinch. The Clerk will write and thank him for his many valuable years service to the Parish Council. The Clerk will contact the Peter Lathom Charity regarding his representation on this trust.**
- b) Response from planning to questions relating to school advertisements on private fences and bus shelters – **It is disappointing that it is not possible to help the school and noted, that advertising consent would be required to advertise on private fences etc.**
- c) Letter of thanks from ABCA for your support over the past 12 months and welcoming Councillors Mrs Jukes and Mrs Critchley to the Parish Council – **The Clerk read aloud the email and expressed disappointment at the last sentence “... and hope these appointments strengthen the work of the Parish Council in Appley Bridge”. The wording implies that the Parish Council do not already work hard in Appley Bridge. Councillors feel this statement was unnecessary and rather offensive to already serving Parish Councillors.**
- d) Notification of Household Waste Recycling Centre Consultation for comment if necessary – **Councillors understand the necessity to reduce opening hours and agreed that it would not directly affect the Parish Council as a body. However, concern was expressed about the potential increase in fly-tipping as a result of reduced opening hours. The Council will suggest using CCTV cameras at locations identified as potential fly-tipping sites.**
- e) Request for assistance in compiling a list of suitable future road names in the Borough – **The only site for development at the moment is the site of the Windmill Garage on Wood Lane. Therefore the following suggestions will be made: Windmill Close, Windmill Way or Windmill Fold.**
- f) West Lancs. Polling District & Polling Place Review 2019 – **Noted.**
- g) Request for nominations for the 2019 West Lancs. Design Awards – **Nothing to nominate.**
- h) Request for your views on the development of a Communities Framework – **The Parish Council agreed to note this item and await further/future correspondence on this issue.**

- i) Info. on the purchase and creation of a Parish Map – **The link will be forwarded to Councillors to view a sample map. It was suggested that this could be produced in a more cost effective way, possibly using LCC’s definitive rights of way maps.**
- j) Late items received which may require discussion/action/observations – **Nothing to report.**

116. HIGHWAYS AND ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

- There is a pot-hole on Highmoor Lane, on the right hand side when turning in off Robin Hood Lane. A cyclist has already had a fatal accident on this lane.
- Councillor Johnson addressed the more recent matters added to his list of complaints – Request an update with the easement to install a new drain to reduce flooding near 15 Mossy Lea Road – a report that the bus shelter on Wood Lane has been painted – reported there are no visible road markings at the junction of Boundary Lane and Mossy Lea Road and the carriageway is breaking up at this location – clear water running from Treetops, Broadhurst Lane, will be reported to West Lancs. BC Environmental Health dept. The carriageway surface is breaking up and the lane is dangerous/slippery when the water freezes. This has been reported to LCC several times.
- There is no footway in front of 49 & 47 Skull House Lane which is considered dangerous.
- Appley Lane North was never swept and the leaves reported have now blown away.
- Speeding vehicles are again an issue on Tunley Lane. This has been reported to LCC.
- A grit bin will again be requested at the Appley Lane North/Skull House Lane junction.
- The Clerk will check if an electronic version of the Wrightington Parish Plan can be forwarded to Councillors.

117. REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES – Nothing to report.

118. PARISH PRECEPT FOR 2019/20 - Following detailed discussions at the Budget Meeting held prior to this Parish Council Meeting, it was **Resolved – The Parish Requirement for 2019/20 is £19,300.00 - £613.00 (Council Tax Support Grant) = £18,687.00 Parish Precept. Therefore, Wrightington Parish Council will Precept for £18,687.00 for the financial year 2019/20.**

119. VILLAGE HALLS

MOSSY LEA – Machine Embroidery £150.00. Ladies Walking group £40.00. Reiki £20. Weed/moss spraying is required on the car park. The Clerk reported that recycled plastic rectangular picnic benches can be purchased from a local firm, Whitehill Direct Ltd, who can supply them with extra long legs which can then be set in a concrete sleeve below ground level. The Council agreed that from a long term maintenance point of view the recycled plastic ones would be more cost effective. The Clerk will again contact West Lancs. BC with regard to fitting them. The planters have been re-planted free of charge recently however, Councillor Johnson asked whether new compost was used at this time.

APPLEY BRIDGE – The Clerk reported that a Capital Grant Funding application for 2019/20 has been submitted to West Lancs. BC, towards the cost of replacement windows, painting of woodwork and metalwork on the exterior of the village hall, and installation of 2 x exterior lights with sensors. Total cost of the project £7,500.00, therefore, a bid of £5000 to West Lancs. BC and a contribution of £2500 by the Parish Council – **Councillors present agreed this bid.** Councillor Burton reported that the stones will be removed from the grass at the village hall soon, weather and other work commitments permitting. Replacement paediatric pads are required for the defibrillator. The white 4 x 4 vehicle is still parking on the car park albeit not in the same space. Leaflets will be made and placed on car windscreens notifying them of the imminent installation of the barrier at the entrance to the car park. Confirmation that the next village hall committee meeting will be on Monday 11th March 2019 at 8pm in the Village Hall.

120. PLANNING To discuss the following applications:

- 1) 2019/0020/FUL Amended plans and description – Removal of existing garage. Erection of 1 and half storey front, side and rear extensions. Balcony to the rear. 22 Church Lane, Wrightington. **Resolved: No Objections.**

121. LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS – Annual Report (emailed to Councillors) – Details of Training Courses – Chairmanship Workshop, 7th March, Howick House – Planning Workshop, 9th May Howick House, Penwortham. Consultation from NALC on Flood

Defences. Confirmation your letter on behalf of all Parishes in relation to the Local Plan Consultation will be distributed by the Area Committee – **Noted**. The Chairman provided Councillors with a copy of the letter sent by the LALC Area Committee on behalf of all Parish Councils expressing their disappointment at conduct around the recent Local Plan consultation.

122. ACCOUNTS - To receive the following list of accounts for Approval:

For Payment:

Waterplus	Water use ABVH		£84.35
Mrs C A Cross	Clerk's Salary – Net		£751.57
HM Rev. & Customs	Tax & NI due by Clerk	£6.76	
	NI due by Parish Council	£7.77	£14.53
D/D E.on	Electricity use MLVH		£190.54
D/D E.on	Electricity use ABVH		£38.30
D/D British Gas	Gas use at ABVH		£443.18

Receipts:

West Lancs. BC	Contribution towards Capital Bid – Painting ABVH		£1693.24
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Resolved: Payment and receipt of the above accounts is approved.

123. DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING Monday 18 March 2019
Mossy Lea Village Hall

RESOLVED: That the next Meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday 18th March 2019 at Mossy Lea Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Minutes 111 to 123 will be accepted as a correct record and signed by the Chairman at the Meeting to be held on Monday 18th March 2019.

Members of the Public and Press are welcome to attend

Meeting Closed: 9.05 pm

Chairman:

Date:

REPORT 1

- a) Notification planning permission granted for demolition of existing timber storage buildings. Erection of new timber storage building and associated external works. Ramsay Timber & Building Supplies.
- b) Notification planning permission granted for alterations to west elevation. Northern Diver Ltd.
- c) Notification outline planning permission refused for erection of two dwellings including details of access, layout and scale. Land between 321-325 Mossy Lea Road.
- d) Notification planning permission refused for single storey rear extension. 5 Stonemill Rise.
- e) Notification that the application for the siting of a metal container for storage of tools and equipment. Car park, Canal Bank, Appley Bridge, will be discussed at the Planning Committee Meeting on 21st February with a recommendation that planning permission be granted.
- f) Confirmation that your report of a possible breach of planning by the change of use (extension of garden) at 113 Skull House Lane, Appley Bridge, in to a pavement, will be investigated.
- g) Confirmation your report of speeding vehicles on Church Lane, Tunley Lane and Carr House Lane has been forwarded to the Speed Management Team.
- h) Confirmation from PCSO Holderness that he was aware of the vandalism at the railway station at the beginning of the month but that this was dealt with by the British Transport Police. He also confirmed that they have had a couple of logs mentioning youths at the Boathouse since it has closed. Confirmation that he is checking the area for youths in the evenings.